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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. BOTSWANA DAILY NEW FEB. 10 ISSUE CARRIES ARTICLE ON PRESIDENT'S MEDICAL TRAVEL TO LONDON. STORY NOTES THAT THE PRESIDENT DEPARTED FEB. 9 FOR LONDON "FOR A SPECIALISH MEDICAL CHECK-UP" ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE, LADY RUTH KHAMA, AND HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY. THE CHECKUP IS CALLED A "FOLLOW-UP" TO THE ONE HELD LAST APRIL WHEN THE PRESIDENT PASSED THROUGH LONDON ON THE WAY TO THE KINGSTON COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEETING. STORY NOTES THAT PRESIDENT WILL TAKE A SHORT HOLIDAY IN THE UK AFTER THE CHECKUP. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. COMMENT: IN BRIEF PLANESIDE CHAT WITH ME PRIOR TO DEPARTURE, PRESIDENT KHAMA EXPRESSED DEEP GRATITUDE FOR OFFER REF B. DR. MERRIWEATHER ALSO ACCOMPANIED PRESIDENT IN ADDITION TO LADY KHAMA AND PRIVATE SECRETARY.
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